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In re Application of:

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Kazuki Yasuda

Serial No.: 08/455,683

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For: METHODS OF IDENTIFYING

AGONISTS AND ANTAGONISTS OF OPIOID RECEPTORS (AS AMENDED)

Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Landsman, R.

Atty. Dkt. No.: ARCD:177/WIM

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 2, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2000 for which the three-month date for response is June 2, 2000.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/10007910/WIM.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.